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Title: THERAPEUTIC METHODS COMPRISING USE OF A  
NEUREGULINAssistant Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to examination, Applicants submit the following amendment.

In the claims

Cancel claims 7, 9, 12-21, 24-26, and 28-34. Amend claims 8, 10, 11, 22, 23, 27, 35, and 36 as follows.

8. (Once Amended) [A] The method of [claim 7] claims 1, 2, 3, or 4, wherein the neuregulin or fragment or derivative thereof comprises an amino acid sequence of the following formula:

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